

**New Mexico - Gallup Field Office**  
**FY 2003 Ranking Criteria Worksheet - Grazing Lands**

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Farm No. \_\_\_\_\_ Tract No. \_\_\_\_\_ CMS Field No's. \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Tribal Land \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Tribal Land \_\_\_\_\_ Preliminary Rating \_\_\_\_ Final Rating \_\_\_\_

**1. Plants - Potential Points 120 (29.4%)**

Note: Instructions on separate sheet		% Area in Contract Before Treatment	% Area in Contract After Treatment.	Potential Points	Points - Bench Mark	Points - After
<b>Rangelands:</b> Ecological Site Similarity Index (SI)*	SI of 76-1 00 w/trend up or not apparent	%	+ + = %	120		
	SI of 51-75 with upward trend	%	+ + = %	100		
	SI of 51-75 with downward trend	%	+ + = %	80		
	SI of 26-50 with upward trend	%	+ + = %	60		
	SI of 26-50 with downward trend	%	+ + = %	40		
	SI of 0-25 with upward trend	%	+ + = %	20		
	SI of 0-25 with downward trend	%	+ + = %	0		
<b>Riparian</b>	Use Attachment 1, 2, or 3	% Quality Bench Mark: _____	% Quality After: _____	120		
<b>Grazed Forest:</b>	Use Attachment 4	% Quality Bench Mark: _____	% Quality After: _____	120		
<b>1. Plants</b>		Total	100%	Total	100%	<b>Total:</b>

**2. Conservation Practice(s) Section - Potential Points 233 (57.1%)**

Practices used in this section of the ranking criteria, and intended to be included in the conservation plan of operations, must be cost shared. Higher priority (value) is given to those practices which address multiple resource concerns, are cost effective, and have longer life spans. Practices in this section are grouped, one or all practices may be used.			Potential Points	Percent of Need - To be installed	Points - After
<b>Soil Erosion</b>					
WATER DEVELOPMENTS - PERENNIAL: 516,533,574,614,642,648 (3 PTS. EA.)			18		
EROSION CONTROL PRACTICES: 410,342,362 (3 PTS. EA.)			9		
VEGETATION IMPROVEMENT PRACTICES: 314,342,382,550 (2 PTS. EA.)			8		
<b>Water Quality</b>					
WATER DEVELOPMENTS - PERENNIAL: 516,533,574,614,642,648 (3 PTS. EA.)			18		
WATER DEVELOPMENTS - INTERMITTENT: 378,521A,521C,521F,636 (1 PT. EA.)			5		
EROSION CONTROL PRACTICES: 410,342,362 (3 PTS. EA.)			9		
RIPARIAN AREA ENHANCEMENT PRACTICES: 382,580,392,584,657 (2 PTS. EA.)			10		
<b>Air</b>					
WATER DEVELOPMENTS - PERENNIAL: 516,533,574,614,642,648 (3 PTS. EA.)			18		
EROSION CONTROL PRACTICES: 410,342,362 (3 PTS. EA.)			9		
VEGETATION IMPROVEMENT PRACTICES: 314,342,382,550 (2 PTS. EA.)			8		
<b>Plants</b>					
WATER DEVELOPMENTS - PERENNIAL: 516,533,574,614,642,648 (3 PTS. EA.)			18		
EROSION CONTROL PRACTICES: 410,342,362 (3 PTS. EA.)			9		
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<b>ANIMALS</b>				
WATER DEVELOPMENTS - PERENNIAL: 516,533,574,614,642,648 (3 PTS. EA.)			18	
WATER DEVELOPMENTS - INTERMITTENT: 378,521A,521C,521F,636 (1 PT. EA.)			5	
WILDLIFE PRACTICES: 612,657,648,650,441,380 (2 PTS. EA.)			12	
VEGETATION IMPROVEMENT PRACTICES: 314,342,382,550 (2 PTS. EA.)			8	
RIPARIAN AREA ENHANCEMENT PRACTICES: 382,580,392,584,657 (2 PTS. EA.)			10	
<b>WATER QUANTITY</b>				
WATER DEVELOPMENTS - PERENNIAL: 516,533,574,614,642,648 (3 PTS. EA.)			18	
WATER DEVELOPMENTS - INTERMITTENT: 378,521A,521C,521F,636 (1 PT. EA.)			5	
<b>2. Conservation Practices Section</b>			<b>Total:</b>	
<b>3. Livestock Grazing - Potential Points 25 (6.1%)</b>			<b>Potential Points</b>	<b>Benchmark Points</b>
Livestock grazing and days of rest during growing season. Growing season for cool season and warm season species will be from April 1 to October 1. (184 days)				
A. Pastures will be rested from livestock grazing for >70% of days during growing season.			25	
B. Pastures will be rested from livestock grazing for 40 to 70% of days during growing season.			15	
C. Pastures will be rested from livestock grazing for <40% of days during growing season and help create an upward trend in rangeland health and desirable species vigor.			5	
<b>3. Livestock Grazing Section</b>			<b>Total:</b>	
<b>4. Other Considerations - Potential Points 30 (7.4%)</b>				
			<b>Potential Points</b>	<b>After Points</b>
A. At risk species are in the area and the contract will enhance habitat for the species.			10	
B. Treatment of this land could have a beneficial impact on a 303d listed stream segment.			10	
C. Treatment of this land could enhance the benefits of an active sec. 319 project. Or land is within a sec. 319 project area.			5	
E. Proposed contracted area will be treated to eradicate and/or prevent infestation of Class A and/or Class B noxious weeds, as designated by NMDA.			5	
<b>3. Other Considerations</b>				
			<b>Total:</b>	
<b>Designated Conservationist</b>		<b>Date</b>		
<b>Producers</b>		<b>Date</b>		